

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1319

C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 19426

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, TH, VS

SUBJECT: DRUGGING OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES AT UTAPAO

REF: STATE 216908

1. FOLLOWING RESPONDS PARA 2 REFTEL.

2. WHEN THE EMBASSY LEARNED THAT SEDATION OF REFUGEES APPEARED TO HAVE OCCURRED, IT INITIATED ORAL INQUIRIES THROUGH LOCAL US AIR FORCE CHANNELS AND LEARNED THAT AN INVESTIGATION HAD BEEN ORDERED BY CINCPACAF. THE EMBASSY ASKED TO BE KEPT INFORMED AND WAS ADVISED NOT LONG AFTERWARD THAT THE INVESTIGATION HAD DISCLOSED THAT SEDATION HAD OCCURRED AND THAT THE US AIR FORCE COMMANDER AT UTAPAO HAD BEEN RELIEVED. AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME, THE PRESS CARRIED WIRE SERVICE STORIES DATELINED GUAM, QUOTING THE REFUGEES AS CLAIMING THAT DRUGGING AND OTHER FORMS OF COERCION HAD BEEN USED TO FORCE THEM ONTO THE PLANE AT UTAPAO.

3. IN VIEW OF AIR FORCE REPORTING AND THE PRESS PLAY ON THE MATTER, THE EMBASSY DID NO SEPARATE REPORTING, SINCE IT HAD NO OTHER KNOWLEDGE OF THE DRUGGING INCIDENT.  
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